RACING AT AQUEDUCT NOT OF HIGH CLASS.

Turf Situation on the Eastern Circuit.

Best Horses to the Post Thus Early in the Season.

BY FRANCIS TREVELYAN.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. New York, April 21.-There are not man turf truths to be learned from such ratio. as we are having at the Aqueduct. When there is little or no class to the hurses on tending in races there is no possibility of getting a reliable line on house or tocker. And so at Aqueduct we are little better of

The wet weather that came last week further complicated matters. Heavy going is trying to backers everywhere, and when it comes at Aqueduct it is harder to reallon with than in most places. The track is for the most part particularly impervious to water, and it was comparatively a poyexperience for its habitues when the goria on Thursday proved to have been so there oughly soaked that it made a material lifference to the running of the horses.

The meeting will probably prove to have taught us more about jockeys than horses little has been uncovered during the first week. Box's victory in the Carter, for example, left us knowing just as much as we did before that this handsome, game race horse can beat all such as he is likely tmost at Aqueduct, provided his temper donot spell his chances and the weights are

Waitnot's Development.

Among the older horses the tant discovery is the class that the leven old Waitnet has developed. It is but continuation of the ever-improving form that the handsome little sen of Fonso de veloped last year, but it has come earlier than could have been expected and leaves him a factor to be seriously considered in the big spring handicaps. He is in the Brooklyn at 105 pounds and in the Subarban and Brighton handicaps at 192 pounds. While Frank O'Leary did not do either the horse or himself justice when he rode Charentus on Saiurday, the line on Waitnet, who was carrying 114 pounds to Charen-

who was carrying Hi pounds to Charentus's H9 pounds, was fairly reliable, and should make those who took a long price about Mt. Carr's colt during the winter months very comfortable.

None is worth more than \$2.50. And this is really about the limit of the revelations made so far. The running of the 2-year-olds grow to confirm the impression left by the Washington meeting, that not a young-ster run there for whem it would be politic to pay more than \$2.50 at the outside. The usual amount of fuss was made over the 2-year-olds that the Waldens had in their barn, and some fairly long prices were said to have been refused, but the defeat of Anecdote and the victory of Educate, her stable mate, last Thursiny, show how absolutely unreliable all existing information divulged on public running is at prestion divulged on public running is at pre-

Dates Too Early. The fact is that while the time is rice for

The fact is, that while the time is ripe for a race meeting, so far as the humor of the public is concerned, the dates are too early for trainers to spring their best, whether of old or young horses. There is nothing discouraging in this, and it would be absurd to suppose that the 2-year-olds of the year are going to prove a bad lot just because we have not seen anything very distinguished performing at the little track down on Jamaica Bay.

Harking back to the subject of jockers.

we have not learned a great deal more than we have about horses. MeJoynt has done much to establish himself, and that is about all. By the way, the impression which seems to be prevalent that MeJoynt is a product of the Walden stable is erroneous. He is no "chicken," and came out of Texas. He is a lad who has the reputation of about the product of the walden stable is erroneous. He is a lad who has the reputation of ab-solute honesty, so much so, that stories are told of where he refused to ride horses that owners admitted were "rather short, and not fit to be cut to pieces in a hard finish." So far as he has yet ridden in the East he has shown a good, even standard of ability, rather than brilliancy.
"Pittsburg Phil's" latest catch, Shaw, has

got to demonstrate his worth. He has so far had few mounts that were worth tak-ing, but while he has not condemned him-self on them, he has failed equally to show that he is a jockey of any class. Regarding the Old Jockeys.

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As regards the older jockeys we have learned little, if anything, new.

Maher still has the same perfect form. Winnio O'Comnor will never be a great jockey, unless he can so "steady his leaders" that he, as well as other people, will be able to recken to a reasonable extent on what he is going to do.

Spencer is the same reliable "pilot" as ever. With his seat it would be about to call him a horseman, During a race he has excellent judgment, nice hands, nearly as good as Maher's, in fact, and the same indescribable quasi-magnetic style of showing a horse along that is the distinctive characteristic of our modern school of jockeys.

jockeys.
Of the older jockeys, it can be said that amilton has taken on a new lease of life, e has only ridden a few races, but some them, while rewarded with no extraor-nary degree of success, were quite bril-

BATTING AND FIELDING.

Wallace Leads the Perfectos in Hitting, With an Average of .600,

The batting averages of the St. Louis team for the batting averages of the St. Louis team for the three pames played this seam follow. It fill be seen that St. Louis shows up much better than the famed Pirates. In less times at but he local team made the same number of hits in average of nine to a name-but off these hits hey made one-third more tunns, the same number of the properties hits. hases and five more sacrifice he the same number of total char

Wallace 3 Mediann 3 Keister 3 O'Connor 2 Hetdrick 3 Criger 1 Cross 2 Denovan 3 Eurkett 2 Powel 1 Young 1 Jones 1	TANGE TO SERVICE AND THE SERVICE OF	oroccourage Run	Mar de	1 0 0 0 0 1 1 1 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	ind eccessessesses	S 110 21 4 1 22 21 1 0 0 0	SPELLING SHIPS P.	Captain Wyle is tamous because he was the pilot that took the Federal transport fleet, with the Federal troops aboard, safely through the mines with which the Confederates had lined the river below For Ponelson and landed thom safely in time to entorce General Grant and enable hir to win his first important battle of the war. TWO WEDDINGS IN SIGHT.
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St. Lenis	A.B.	12 9	BH.	S.H.	8.H.	TH	Pet. 267	Divorce From Mts. Potter,
171	ELDI	NG.	AVE	RASSI	S.			REPUBLIC SPECIAL. New York, April 22.—After months of
Player Wallace, * Medana, 1)		24	THE PART CORES	** of Assists.	s a p Crroth	Zharont Chances	Same cont.	rumors connecting the names of James Brown Poster and Miss May Handy, the first nuthentic evidence that their mar- riage is an event actually in prospec- comes in Lundon correspondence from Cor- tronian Lundon correspondence from Cor- Urquinett Potter, who has been notified that she will residue for divorce shortly Mrs. Potter said that she was delighted
Heldrick, of Fenevan rf Furiett, lf Young p Fowell, p Keister, 26			1 100 2240		0.00000	6	1009 1009 1009 1019 1019 1019	with the prospect of being freed. For a long time her husband had refused to agree to a divotes, but not long ago he had writ- ten that he wished to marry Miss Handy, and asked her if she would be willing i
Cross, B. CLUI	3 FHE	.2 1,01 16, 1	NG.	RECC	HEIT.	5 T.C.	537 560 Pet	be divorced by mutual consent. This diverce, which Sir George Lewis has notified Mrs. Potter has been granted probably is the preliminary to two mar- tiaces. Miss Handy to Mr. Douter and Mrs.

Claims Polo Championship. Ruche, Wis., April 22. Racine defeated Hart-ford, Coun., at pole fe-might in an exhibition game by a score of 2 to 5. The Racine team by claims the championship of the United

Willis Bacon Drowned.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Dallas, Tex., April 22.—Willis Bacon, a student of Randolph College at the village of Lancaster, twelve miles south of Dallas, was drowned last night in a lake near that place. President Clark had taken a party of students to the lake on a fishing excursion. The boat in which young Bacon and William Cutler were scated sprung a leak. Cutler swam ashore. The body of the drowned student was recovered. a leak been granted which puzzle remained un-of the solved until Mrs. Potter's statement came

CHARGED WITH **KILLING FOUR.**

From Since.

Mountain country has come to light here

sons, three in Utah and one in Colorado.

Attorney Candlish says he became ac-

uninted with Wright because they lived at

the same Chicago hotel in July, 1897, and

evidence to defend him on the charge of

having murdered a man named Crampton,

Wright Disappeared.

Wright, then, it is alleged, under the

and Guffy, Cola, besides transferring to thin all his stock in various mining enter-prises. Capdlish says Case left his office

o return in an hour with \$200 as advance

and has not returned to this day.

ement on Candlish's traveling expenses,

The Chicago men interested in Case's

nining properties sent Candlish West,

however, and he examined the properties

m Cripple Park and Guffs and was later made president of the Hub Hill Mining Company and of the Fines Mining Com-

pany and counsel for the Union Mining Company. Case had been president of the

Three Utah Murders.

Case told Candish that he was imposent of Crampton's death and that the charge was an effort of enemies and business

rivals to ruin him.
A circular issued by Sheriff George A

Storrs of Provo City, Utah, charges that Wright murdered thee boys in Utah Coun-ty in Pebruary, 1888, and sank their belies beneath the ice of Utah Lake, the alleged

claimed to have knowledge of Wright's

This explanation was, it is alleged, given

reason of the crime being that the b-

Diverced Wife's Revelations.

to the Utah State Board of Pardons in the hearing for a pardon last April for the step-

father of the three boys, who had been

Board being the divorced wife of the miss-

ing Wright, whose property and official

positions have so strangely fallen to At-

torney Candlish, half way across the con-

RIVER MEN PRESENT.

Praises of the Man Who Piloted

Grant's Transport Fleet

Were Sounded.

praises. At Wesleyan Cometery, where the

burial took place, the Reverend J. R. Bren.

nan, rector of St. Mark's Episcopal Church,

Mississippi River for fifty years. He had a

personal acquaintance with every river man

between St. Paul and the Gulf of Mexico.

Many of his friends in other cities came

compelled to work was also present. The

boatmen. A large number of floral offer-ings were sent to the undertaking estab-

lishment pesterday, and they were con-veyed to the cemetery in a special car-

membered Captain Wylic as the pilot of the flagship of the Federal transport fleet

were in attendance, and followed the cor-

tege to the cemetery.

Before engaging in business on the Mis-

sissippi River Captain Wylie spent some

first trip was made on a flitbeat. He stayed

erable knowledge of the river trade and

the workings of the large steamboats. His first trip to St. Louis was in 1835. He con-

tinued as pilot and captain of different boats

on the Mississippi River until fifteen years ago, when he retired because the business

ago, when he retired because the business of the river was falling off.
Captain Wylle is tamens because he was the pilot that took the Federal transport fleet, with the Federal troops aboard, safety through the mises with which the Confederates had lined the river below Fort Donelson and landed them safely in time to

probably is the preliminary to two mar riages, Miss Handy to Mr. Potter and Mr.

riages, Miss Handy to Ar. Foster and Mrs. Potter to General Kuchener, hero of Khartsum and Lord Roberts's chief of staff in South Africa. General Kitchener's pho-tograph adorns the acitess's bondoir, while a miniature of England's big fighter hangs

favorite.

They were much together at Narragan-

They were much together at Narragan-set! Pier last summer, where Mr. Potter resided with his charming young daugh-ter, Fift.

Miss Handy's smiling decials of any en-

saiss riamy's similing centals of any en-gagement between herself and Mr. Potter served only to keep interest alive in the matter. Seciety was much puzzled as to when and where the request divorce had been granted, which puzzle remained un-solved until Mr. Potters

time steamboating on the Ohio, where his

on the Ohio River until he gained consid-

conducted the services,

CAPTAIN STROTHER WYLIE.

guilt as a cattle thief.

tipent, in Chicago.

FUNERAL SERVICES OF

anse of Case, deeded to Candlish a bank

ing, a residence, two office buildings

numerous vacant lots in Crieple Park

near Guffey, Colo., in January, 1897.

Wright engaged him to go West and gather

Francis Trevelyan Reviews the Strange Story of a Missing Colo New York Youth Wandered the rado Mine Owner and Streets Trying to Establish Capitalist. His Identity.

BOX'S WIN IN THE CARTER. DIVORCED WIFE THE ACCUSER. FORGOT HIS NAME AND ABODE.

Trainers Are Afraid to Send Their He Deeded His Property to a One Police Sergeant Thought He Was Joking-Finally Restored Lawyer Three Years Ago and Has Not Been Heard Him to His Mother-Peculiar Malady.

SOUGHT HIMSELF

FOR FIVE DAYS.

Chicago, April 22 - A remarkable sequel to REPUBLIC SPINTAL

of alleged crimes in the Rocky New York, April 22.-George Ridderband 3 years old, the son of the late J. Soli The + house developments are told in an Ridderhand, a well-known lawyer, for the there's by Attorney William J. Candlish | days and hights walked through the streets of this city, in explanation of notices re- of this city trying to find out where he cloud by the Chicago police asking for the , was and to what strange land his vagaries street of George H. Wright, alias James S. had led him, but not one person of the Weeks, alias C. T. Case, alias Mr. Sievens, throng he met could tell him a native of Michigan and a graduate of the . He kept a diary of his wanderings. In it

law department of the University of Ann he wrote: "Thursday-I know I belong to some one Arison, charged with murdering four perout so far I do not know whem. A police man asked me my name to-day, and I toldhim I did not know."

Strange Malady. He is a sufferer from one of the strangest maladies known. This merrang he walked into the Mercer Street Police States

tion, his eyes clear and bright and his voice crisp. "Can you tell me who I am?" he asked "I do not know. Where am I, and whom do I belong to? I have tried everywhere to find out, but no one can tell me. Please

The Sergeant on the desk looked at him

"Ion't you know where you are?" quesloned the Sergeant inquisitively.
"No, sir. Please tell me. It's a strange place to me. I never was here before "This is New York, young man, two,'t on see the tall buildings out there and the evated roads?" Hidderband looked out of the window

patently trying to recall something that would be familiar to his vision. He shock his head sadly, and in a low voice mut-"It's very strange. I don't know the place.

"If this is New York, then please tell me where I am?" Considered It a Joke.

"If you don't know, I certainly don't," pendel the Sergeant, laughing heartly at what he considered a good joke.
"I wish I did know," observed the young man, with a tinge of sadness in his voice. man, with a tinge of samess in his voice, "Could you tell me if there is any young man missing that looks like me" "Oh, there are lots of them," rejoined the Sergeant, "but for that information you

keep a record of missing men there." "Thank you, sir. young man turned on his heel and walked out. Through citizens on the stree he found pelice headquarters fifteen min-

had better go to police headquarters. They

convicted of their murder and sentenced to be hanged, the witness before the Pardon "Can you tell me my name? I have for-getten it," he said to the Sergeant in charge of the Information Rureau "I guess that will be a hard problem if you don't know," replied the Sergeaut. "I den't," repeated the young man. "I'm lost in a strange city and all I know is that I belong to some one. I den't know to whom. I think my name is Reynolds, or it may be Raymond."
"Where did you come from?" asked the

"I don't know. I remember nothing. I wish some one would tell me. Perhaps you can tell if you have any report of me being VETERAN SOLDIERS AND The records were examined.

"Here is one that may tally with you," said the Sergeant. "Look for George Ridderband, 19 years old, of No. 7 One Hundred and Sixth street, five feet eight, 125 pounds; brown, curly hair; brown eyes, blue sack suit, gray Alpine bat, low russet shoes."

The funeral of Captain Strother Wylle, who was said to be the oldest river man and pilot in the country, took place at 220 his name mentioned. In an instant, he forgot it, and could not recall it. The Ser-O'clock yesterday afternoon from the geant examined him carefully and conclud-wagener undertaking pariers at No. 1127 ed that he was the missing boy. He called Office street. The ceremony was brief, but a detective, and ordered him to several of the steamboat men who had young man to the home of Mrs. Ridder known Captain Wylie in life spoke his band.

"See if he is her missing son," he said to the detective. "He looks as if there is a mething the matter with him." About noon they reached the fashionable spartment near Central Park, west, is Captain Wylle was a resident of St. Louis which Mrs. Ridderband and her daughters for sixty-five years, and was a pilot on the | teside.

Restored to His Mother

Mrs. Ridderband opened the door in respense to the detective's ring. There were great wrinkles under her eyes from copiou Many of his triends in white here to attend his funeral yesterday, while weeping.

"My tied, it is George!" she shouted, as

the young man emerged from behind the detective, and then fell back in a faint, pullbearers were selected from the steam-She was picked up by the detective and carried to a sofa. Her two young daughters, alarmed by her frantic scream, rushed into the hall.

"George! George!" they cried, throwing their arms around their brother's neck and affectionately kissing him. Did Not Recognize His Parent.

He stared vaguely at them, apparently not understanding their emotion. "Don't you recognize us, George? We are

shook his head and looked around about him. "Where have you been?" one of his sisters asked him. "I don't know," he answered promptly,

"Can you tell me who I am?" Mrs. Ridderband, recovered from her faint, returned to the hall where the young man and the detective were standing. Toking her son by the arm, she led him into the parlor and told him to take off his hat cooked the same as he had when he left home last Wednesday evening, except that his face was thin and pale. ds face was thin and jone.
"It's very kind of you, indeed, to treat me
o nicely," he observed, "but I wish you

would tell me who I am. This place is all strange to me, and I never saw any of you "Oh, George, don't you know us? Here !

mother, and here are your two little sisters," said Mrs. Ridderband, with tears in She kissed him, but he only stared at her vacantly, as if he had never met her be-

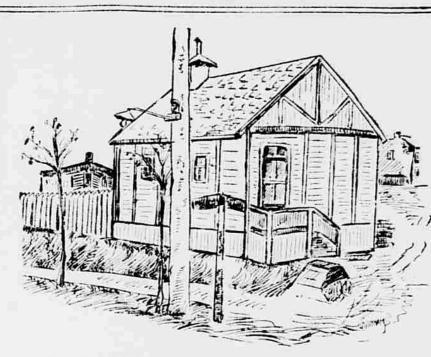
"I don't know you," he observed. Mrs. Ridderbrand sent a messenger for Doctor William Brickner, and he called in consultation Doctor Michaels. Both phy sicians recognized symptoms of amnesia. The young man was put to bed and he

The physicians spent a good part of the day and evening with him. They prescribed narcotics, but the patient was said last night to have exhibited no improvement, and considerable apprehension was felt by the family regarding his restoration to reason, A search of his pockets revealed a diary peared on Wednesday. He left a law office down town, where he was employed, at neon on Monday, and all trace of him after that was lost. His mother had told the police that he was a somnambulist, and had left home before while asleen. He had about \$26 with him when he disappeared a fininature of Linguista som lagner hangs by a jeweled chain about the neck.

Miss May Handy is a beautiful girl, of a well-known Richmond family. She made her first appearance in New York society about two years ago and became a great several dollars left.

Diary of His Wanderings.

His diary shows how he industriously tried to find out who he was. On Thursday he wrote that he was on a Flushing avenue ear in Brooklyn. Suddenly the conductor shouted out, "Change cars for Broadway." Recognizing the name Broadway, he sprang Recognizing the name bloadway, he sprang off the car, but found himself in a strange locality among people he did not know. Some one put him on an "L" train, bound



NEW BRANCH OF OAK HILL SCHOOL, CORNER OAK HILL AVENUE AND JUNIATA STREET.

there he asked a policeman where he was. The policeman told lum he was in New York, Ridderbard. In his strange diary, tells how he asked the policeman to tell he was a bomeless young man and sent him to the Mills Hotel in Blocker street. where he stopped Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings.

Every day, the diary shows, he went to the Ast r Library and s veral hotels to read the newspapers for stories of missing percons in the hope of learning something about himself.

Then he walked about the streets asking men to help him find out who he was. Under date of Priday, he wrote that he had

not yet succeeded in discovering his iden "A man asked me my name. I tald him it was Reynolds," he wrote in his diary,

JAPANESE MERCHANTS COME TO SEE ST. LOUIS.

J. YAMAMOTO IS INTERESTED IN COTTON.

He Discussed Affairs of His Country and Doubted That It Was on Verge of War.

J. Yamamoto and T. Uyeda, two Japanese metchants, registered at the Planters Hotel esterday and will spend several days in ooking after their business interests in gent gentlemen and speak English fairly well. J. Yamamoto is general manager of entirely suspended. This is on the direct the cotton and yarn department of Mitsul Bussan, Kaisha, Japan. The firm also acts as representative of the Carnegic Steel Company in China, Kercu, Japan and the Far

Speaking of his visit to St. Louis, he said: The cotton business of Japan is developing at a wonderful rate, and, as St. Louis is quite a prominent cotton market. I have ome here to gather information. I have ione considerable business with St. Louis firms, and I will visit the Cotton Exchange quaintance of members. Three years ago the total imports of cotton from America. into Japan were about 50,00 bales, but the development of the cotton industry has been so rapid that up to March I this sonson the imports were more than 275,000 bale

than that sent to any other part of the globe, but we are rapidly learning to maninvestigating the merits of the various kind of bales, as the distance is so great that the reduction in the size of bales is a

When asked in regard to the prospects of a war between Japan and Russia, Mr. Yamamoto said: "You Americans really receive more accurate information in regard to the political situation in the Far East than we do in Japan, as the people in Japan know very little of what is going on in Government circles. Of course, there are many warlike preparations, and some trouble between the two countries, but I think that it is largely the result of the meddling of other nations.

"Our country is advancing very rapidly, and I believe that English will soon be the language of the people. English is taught in all of our schools, and there is a fally paper published in English, in Tokio, which has quite a large circulation. Of course the older generation will not adopt English, but the younger people are all learning to speak your language. "I left Japan in March and came to Van-

where I met my friend, Uyeda, who speaks English more fluently than L and who consteel works at that point and at Home-stead. After leaving St. Louis we will go to Texas and other parts of the cotton country. I will go to Europe about the end of May."

HEARS ABOUT CHINA.

President McKinley Listens to a Missionary's Sermon. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York, April 22. - President McKinley's Sunday was a busy one. He had a chat with Governor Roosevelt, listened to a missignary who told of the wonderful things America is doing in China, had a drive through the park and talked with many friends who called at the Hotel Manhattan. Mrs. McKinley was not well enough to go to church, so she decided to go driving in the park with Mrs. Abner McKiniey. It is noted by Mrs. McKinley's acquaintance that travelling about the country and seng the sights seem to do more for her than the doctors are able to do. She went through the two weeks' trip in the Northwest, after being warned not to attempt it. and apparently was the better for it. She s now determined to go to Canton with the President when he leaves Washington to-

In due time Morris K. Jesup and Mrs. lesup drave to the hotel in accordance with a previous arrangement, to escort the President and party to church. At the brick Presbyterian Church, Fifth evenue and Thirty-seventh street, Presiden McKinley took a pew well back on the right side of the center alsle. The Heverend Doctor Malthie D. Babcock, the paster, gave up his pulpit to the Reverend J. H. Laughlin of Chining-Chan, China, a delegate to the missionary conference. Standing in front of a big map of China,

sionaries in the Far East. "My friends" he said, looking straight at President McKinley, "when the Empress Dowager drove the reformers out of China one of them took refuge in Hong-Kong a British colony. Whatever may be our dif-ference because of this Boer war, I thank God whenever I see a British colony, It means good roads, an honest Government and many other things we missionaries appreciate.'

missionary began to praise the United States. He did not preach imperialism, but he did talk about what Americans are ac-

Having said this much for England, th

President and Mrs. McKinley, with Abner and his wife, took dinner in their private dining-room at the hotel. The evening was quiet enough. At 9:20 o'clock Mr. and Mrs. McKinley drove to the Twenty-third Stree Ferry and went across to the Pennsylvania Station in Jersey City, where their private Some one put him on an "L" train, bound tached to a train that will land them in Washington to-morrow morning.

TWO BRIDGE SPANS TWISTED BY DAIFT.

Louisville and Nashville Structure at Pascagoula Badly Damaged.

SOUTHERN RIVERS RISING.

Rains Are Still Falling and Indica tions Are That the Flood Will Continue—General Alger and Party Caught.

New Orleans, April 22. Special dispatche received here to-night report heavy and general rains throughout the greater por tion of Texas, Louisiana and Mississippi Two spans of the big Louisville and Nash ville steel bridge at West Pascagoula Miss., were forced ten feet out of place to day by floating logs, coming down the riv this city. Both are well-educated, intellt- pled, and passengers and mails are being transferred in boats. The freight traffic is line of travel, between New Orleans and the North and East, and traffic is always

r sees between West Pascagoula and S ranton, has been rising very rapidly the past few days, and many log booms, bro ken away from their moorings up the coun try, have been carried down stream, Lus night, fearing for the safety of the bridge the Louisville and Nashville officials ran a long train of freight ears on to the bridge, in an attempt to weigh it down, but the pressure was too great, and to-day. when the flow of logs was heavier than for some time, two spans of the steel struc-ture were moved ion feet out of place. The water continues to carry numbereds of ogs down stream, and the spans may be erced completely off before morning Pascagoula River at the point where the

the entire distance being traversed by the bridge and its approaches. The loss of the bridge at this time is serious, as the IIII atilizing the Louisville and Nashville to get ut their freight until they get their roads in shape.

General Alger Caught.

General Bussell A. Alger and most of the delegates to the Evnal-Brith Convention here are caught between the break and Northern Louislana points report another he vy rainstorm to-night. The railroad tracks are washed out at a number of points, and the less to strawherries and

regetable gardeners on account of lack of shipping facilities will be heavy. At Mobile the Mcbile and Ohia officials report that the work of getting their road in shape is disappointing; bridges have been washed away and at Quitman a mile and a half of track is off the embankment and in the woods. The water is falling in many places, but much of the roadbed still covered with water.

be completed before next Thursday or Fri-

Jackson, Miss., reports that the session of the Circuit Court which was to have convened to-morrow at Hattlesburg has been postponed on account of the high water surrounding that place. At 10 o'clock to-night the water at Scran-ton and Pascagonia, Miss., is rising rapidly

and the situation is serious TRAFFIC PARTIALLY RESUMED. Meridian, Miss., April 22.-Passenger traffie, by transferring at several bad washouts, has been resumed on the Alabama,

Great Southern road. The Mobile and Ohio passenger train, waterbound at Quitman for five days and nights, pulled into Meridian to-day at noon. Eighteen hours were consumed in making twenty miles. Full traffic on the Mobile and conic. Alabama and Vicksburg and New Orleans and Northeastern roads cannot pos-sibly be resumed inside of ten days.

ANOTHER BEREAVEMENT.

Lawyer Frank Collier's Evil Genius Still Hovets Near Him.

Chicago, April 22.-Another serrow has ome into the life of Frank Collier, at one time ranking among the most brilliant lawyers in the West. His figuree, Miss Carrie Hayes, has disappeared from Moline. III., and he has appealed to the police to he'p him find her. They were to have been married on Saturday, and Collier had hoped in wedded life to find relief from his Nine years ago a highwayman struck

lungshet, and as a result his once brfftiant mind failed him. Two years ago surgeons removed a piece of the bone which had been pressing upon his brain, and since then his mind has regained much of its former power. In spite of a divorce suit, by which his first wife secured a separation from him.

follier in the back of the head with a

to has been happy. He met and loved Miss Hayes, who has been a teacher of shorthand in a business college at Moline, Ill. He says she promised to marry him Saturday. But new she has disappeared and Collier has another sorrow to abide with him. She explained to her friends in Moline

that she was going away for a visit, but eft no address behind her, and all of Collier's efforts to find her have been without success. He believes she has either been complishing in China.

President McKinley and his brother left abducted or murdered, and has abandoned the hotel at 4 o'clock and drove through the his practice and is bending all his efforts

PORTABLE SCHOOL TO BE DEDICATED.

Hill District to Be Thrown Open This Morning.

CHEAPER THAN PAYING RENT. CAPTURED

Disagreement Between School Board and Property Owner Led to Its Erection-Others to Be Built.

Eighty children, four teachers and a delegation of members of the tak Hill School Patrons' Association will gather at 9 o'clock this morning at the corner of Juniata street and Oak Hill avenue to participate in the opening exercises of a new school, the first of its kind erected on the South Side. The new building belongs to the class

known as "portable" schools, which were depted by the Board of Education test fall and which have been in use in the forthern and western portions of the city during the winter. It is not an imposing tructure, and is a recognized makeshift, but its dedication will be an event in the neighborhood, as it is the fulfillment of "a long-felt want."

It is currently reported in the district that the erection of the temporary building was the outcome of a disagreement between the School Board and the owner of the dwelling at No. 4150 Wyoming street. which has been used for several sessions to accommodate the overflow from the Oak Hill School, but this is denied by Chairman Paul F. Coste of the Building Committee of the board. Gossip had it that the owner of the Wyoming street building concludes that he had the board in his power and demanded a considerable advance in the

"That would be worse than useless," said Mr. Coste when the story was repeated to him. "These portable buildings put us in position to dictate our own terms rather than to be dictated to. We can put them up at any point in the city on forty-eight hours' notice, and this is generally under-stood by those from whom we have rented "In this particular case I am sure there

were no complications certainly none that I have heard of. Our reason for adopting these temporary buildings in the place of rented rooms is that we have found them more desirable and cheaper. They have proven satisfactory in every way, and it is

carpenters has completed nine of these por-table buildings, all of which will be put to good use in the near future. Each of them is capable of seating eighty children comfortably, and they make ideal class rooms-light, airy, well ventilated and perfectly anitary. "It was the intention of the board to be-

gin the crection of a new, modern school building in the Oak Hill district this spring, but funds for the purpose were no available, so we decided to do the next best thing. We may find it necessary to use several more of the temporary structures in the same district next session, and will have them ready in case there is the de-mand. The school population of the city is an uncertain quantity, and emergencies have arisen at the beginning of almost every session. One school would show a fall-ing off in enrollment, while another could not possibly accommodate all who applied for admission. Out of such emergencies as these arose the necessity of renting extra trooms in competitor with a number of the these arose the necessity of renting extra rooms in connection with a number of the schools, and it was frequently difficult to secure destrable quarters. This state of things led to the adoption of the portable school as an experiment, and the experiment has proven the feasibility of the plan. "Such emergencies will continue to arise in the future, as the board is too poor to build all the schools that are needed, and we estimate that not less than twenty of these temporary buildings will be in use. we estimate that not less than twenty of these temporary buildings will be in use for the next twenty years. They are very simple affairs as far as exterior appearance goes, but are built with special reference to the use to which they are put, and both teachers and pupils have been delighted with those in use during this session. The first one we had cost \$800 to build, and that

first one we had cost \$500 to build, and that was thought cheap; but by buying the ma-terial and engaging a force of carpentera we have found it possible to reduce this figure considerably.

"I think the residents of the Oak Hill district will be thoroughly satisfied with their little branch school, after they have inspected it, even if they should be in-clined to think it odd-looking at first."

DEFENDS THE SULTAN.

General Lew Wallace Says Abdul Hamid Is Not to Blame.

Washington, April 22 -General Lew Wailace, former Minister to Turkey, is in the city. In discussing the present controversy respecting indemnity for the destruction of

night said to a Post reporter:
"I think I am better acquainted with the Sultan of Turkey than possibly any other American, and I know that he is an honest man, and I never knew him to break a promise. Abdul Hamid is no more to be blamed for the gross atrocities committed and the property destroyed by the khourds than William McKinley would be if the Apache Indians should go on the war path and slay the white settlers, as they have ione in times past. The acts were perpe trated upon the Armenians, but no Americans suffered the loss of a hair.

"The Christians in Turkey are there under the patronage of the Suitan, and with-out his protection they could not remain. There are some 3,000,000 of Greeks and permps 4,600,000 of Armenians who are Christians, and the Sultan regards them as his ubjects. Without them, the Turkish Government would fall, for they are the tradespeople. The Turk is a warrier. Not a Christtian church is burned or a mission destroyed but the Sultan is the first man to subscribe to rebuilding. I know this to

and a diplomat; if it were not so the Ottoman Empire would have been wiped out ong ago, for the hand of every ruler in Europe is against him. He prevents them from acting together, and thus preserves his throne. He was educated in Paris, and although a Mussulman, he has Christian ideas. All that khourds, who are the perpetrators of these crimes against the Christians, have in common with the Sultan and Burks, is that they, too, are followers of Mohammed. They are numerous on the Eastern border of the empire, and have never been fully conquered by the Govern-

Mr. Oscar S. Straus, the United States Minister to Turkey, who is now on leave of absence, arrived in the city to-night

CORBETT'S PRIVATE EXHIBITION. Former Champion Entertains George Gould and Friends.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Lakewood, N. J. April 22.—James J. Corbett
performed a long lively bill of work in quarters this morning before a large party of gentlemen, who are here in attendance on the nelo teurnament games Corbett was asked some days ago if such a visitation would be permissible, and in reply extended a courtesus invitution to as large a party as cared to watch him work, appealing this morning as prefer-

success. He believes she has either been abducted or murdered, and has abandoned his practice and is bending all his efforts to find her.

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Chicago, April 22—Edward H. Alpin a prominent politician of Huron, S. D., who recently came to Chicago for the benefit of his health, has become violently insane and occupies a padded cell at the detention hospital.

Physicians say overwork caused his mental collarse, but believe ha mill recover.

FRENCH COUNT IS UNDER ARREST.

Unpretentious Structure in the Oak Counte de Lautrec Said to Be Wanted in Quebec for

CHICAGO.

Denies His Guilt and Claims to Be the Son in-Law of One of France's Richest Women -Young Wife Ill.

Chicago, April 22-N. E. L. Comte de colouse Laurree was arrested re-day at the Auditorium Hetel on a charge of forgery. It is charged that the Count visited Quebec, Canada, two weeks ago and forged papers to secure money.

The amount of the alleged forgery is not given, but it is said to be large. Detectives have been fracing Lautree and to-day ene of them saw him enter the Auditorium Hotel and ask for his mail. The detective requested the police to arrest the men. The prisoner was taken to the Harrison Street Police Station and locked up. The Couness Lautree is now stopping with friends

n Chicago. Lautree is a Frenchman. His marriage scentred eight months ago in Paris. Couness Lautrec is said to be the daughter of the Comtess d'Intreville, one of the wealthiest women in Paris. She was with her husband when he was arrested and broke lown when she realized what was taking place. She returned to the house of her

Committee. The prisoner denies that he is guilty of any charge, and says that he does not even know what the charge is. He also states hat he has never been in Canada. The solice know very little about the case and have wired the authorities at Quebec to so on what charge, but have not yet re-

Declares His Innocene. The Count made the following statement:

"I was been of French parents in Poland. My people fled from France during the Revolution and acquired large estates in Russia. I was educated in the Universite Politechique de Vienna, where I received the degree of civil engineer. I have followed that line of work ever since, both in Europe and America. I have been intereated in some of the most noted engineer-ing feats of Europe and have also been employed on many of the large railroads of this country. I served as captain of the Horse Guards in the Russian Army for hree years. Coming to the United States some eight years ago, I worked my way West as far as Chicago. When the war with Spain broke out I wished to go to Cuba with the army

Tried to Join Our Army. "I took out naturalization papers and aplied for a commission under General Logat, who was a particular friend of mine, but I could not get an appointment that I would accept. I got a passport, however, and went to Cuba, from there to France. Then succeeded trips to all the countries of Europe, Returning to Paris from my native land. I met and made suit to the young Countess, now my wife. We were married and, after an extended trip through

France, Germany and England, sailed for New York. "From there we went to Philadelphia, where we staved until we can

His Wealthy Wother-in-Law. The Count is about 43 years of age. He is handsome man and dresses well.

wife is only 30 years old and speaks nothing Why should I obtain money by forgery," said he, "when my mother-in-law has v-two houses in Parts and is worth 5,000,000 francs? It is preposterous and nonsensical. It is a disgrace to me and an outrage on my wife and her family. I don't believe that the police of this city have any right to arrest me and incarcerate me in a police station just because some man points me out and says that I am wanted in Quebec. "I will see that I have my rights as an American citizen and a resident of Chicago."

BUTCHERS FIGHT MONOPOLY.

Swift & Co.'s New York Employes on a Strike.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. New York, April 22.-An attempt by the meat trust to force the Chicago stock yards wage system upon New York butchers has missionary buildings, General Wallace to- caused a strike of all the employes of Swift & Co. in this city, butchers of live

caives and sheep.

The ramifications of the strike are many In the general boycott now being planned against Swift & Co. all the meat producing industries of New York may become in-volved. The Department of Health and the Society for the Frevention of Cruelty to Animals are factors in the struggle. Swift & Co. paid in accordance with the schedule set by the Journeymen Butchers' Protective Society. An ordinary butcher earns

about % a day.

The schedule of wages in the Western stock yards owned by the ment trust, called by the New York butchers the "bull ring" system, is different and some men cannot

When Swift & Co.'s butchers reported for duty last Thursday morning they found a score of Western men and boys who had come in during the night getting ready for the day's shoughter on the built ring system. The superintendent reassured the men when they questioned him, but the coming of a car load of slaughter-house machinery con-vinced them that the trust was planning to pay Western wages in New York. They withdrew and agreed to strike and boycott

Swift. The strikers say that in any New York slaughter-house the butchers will threaten the proprietors with an immediate strike if any sheep or calves are purchased from

the dealers who sell to Swift, Shackling of cattle, or the "bull ring" method of killing, the strikers say, is forbidden by New York laws. The Society for the Prevention of Crucity to Animals will be notified that Swift & Co. intend to put the system in force, and legal proceedings may be instituted to prevent their doing so. The Board of Health will be asked to revoke its permit for slaughtering cattle at the Fifty-ninth Street Abattoir, on the ground that it is a nulsance and dangerous to the health of the dwellers in the vicin-

DEWEY'S PROGRAMME.

Official Schedule of His Western Trip Arranged.

Washington April 22-Admiral and Mrs. Dewey will leave here in a special train over the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Sunover the Battimore and Onlo Railroad Sun-day, April 25, on their trip to Chicago, St. Louis, Memphis, Nashville and Nnoxville. They will arrive in Chicago at noon, Mon-day, April 25. Wednesday morning, May 3, the Chicago and Alton Railroad will take the special to Jacksonville, ill, where a three hours' stop will be smale. St. Louis will be reached in the evening. Sunday will be spent traveling ever the

Sunday will be spent traveling over the Illinois Central from St. Louis to Memphis. where two days will be speat. Wednesday, May 9 the Louisville and Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis railroads will move the train from Memphis to Nashville. Saturday will be speat on the trip to Knox-

ville, and a rest taken on Sunday.

The trip from Knoxville to Washington will be over the Southern Railway, reaching here May li.

Forgery.